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BRITISH JOURNAL OF UROLOGY. Volume xxi, Number 1, March, 1949.  
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THIS is the first number produced under new editorship and new publishers. It is the official journal of the British Association of Urological Surgeons. This journal is attractively gotten up with different shades of green on the cover. The badge of the President of the Association is reproduced on the cover and the symbolism, which to my mind is rather childish, is explained in the editorial on page three. The contents of the journal are the annual meeting of urological surgeons, London, 1948, and these proceedings and three original articles are most interesting. The subject of the annual meeting was renal calculi, and the most interesting of the original articles, I thought, was "Streptomycin in Non-Tuberculous Urinary Infections."

This is a journal that no surgeon would look at without being interested and which no urological surgeon would miss reading. If the high standard set by this issue is maintained it will be a great success indeed.

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MODERN TREATMENT YEARBOOK, 1949. Edited by Sir Cecil Wakeley, K.B.E., C.B., F.R.C.S. Pp. viii + 338 with 39 illustrations. 15s. net.

THIS volume is presented in the same form as heretofore. As it is written primarily for the general practitioner, the emphasis is on the practical aspect of the subjects treated. There are forty-one articles by experts in their particular subjects, dealing with every-day problems of family practice. In fact, a careful perusal of the book would constitute an excellent refresher course.

Some articles which the reviewer found of special interest are those on retropulsion of lumbar intervertebral disc, diabetic emergencies, pulmonary embolism, paroxysmal tachycardia, value of drugs in the treatment of heart disease, detachment of the retina, chronic mastitis, proptosis, and intermittent claudication. As well as indicating suitable lines of treatment, there are frequently useful hints on the methods of investigation of these conditions.

The volume is of convenient size; the paper and printing are good; and the errors of typography are few; the only ones noted being *intra*-ventricular septum and fat *neurosis*.

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